

# Justice Reinvestment Local Government Commission Meeting Minutes (Pending)

Wednesday, March 8, 2023
11:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.
Virtual Meeting Access - meet.google.com/zzb-nqxh-qhx

## **Attendees:**

- Allegany County, Capt. Daniel Lasher
- Anne Arundel County, Michael Borgese
- Cecil County, Lt. William Jolly
- Frederick County, Randy Martin
- Howard County, Margaret Chippendale
- Queen Anne's County, Warden LaMonte Cooke
- St. Mary's County, Warden Mary Ann Thompson
- Talbot County, Chair Corey Pack
- Washington County, Maylon Campher
- Wicomico County, Jaime Riley
- Worcester County, Honorable Kris Heiser

## **Not in Attendance:**

- Baltimore City, Director Shantay Jackson
- Baltimore County, Director Walt Pesterfield
- Calvert County, Captain Timothy Friedman
- Caroline County, Warden Charles Scott
- Carroll County, Vacant
- Charles County, Vacant
- Dorchester County, Director Kenneth Rodgers
- Garrett County, State Attorney Christian Mash, Esq.
- Harford County, Captain Wayne Rumsey
- Kent County, Warden Herbert Dennis
- Montgomery County, Vacant
- Prince George's County, Director Coremne Labbé
- Somerset County, Sheriff Ronnie Howard



- Welcome and Opening Remarks Councilman Corey Pack, Chair, Local Government Commission
- Meeting Goals and Objectives
- Justice Reinvestment Act Overview Carly Seidman, Governor's Office of Crime Prevention, Youth and Victim Services (GOCPYVS) Refer to PowerPoint Slides
- Performance Incentive Grant Fund (PIGF) Overview/Budget History Refer to PowerPoint Slides
- Current Work Updates:
  - FY23 PIGF Updates:
    - 22 FY23 PIGF awardees, and a total of \$5.5 million dollars were requested. At the end of the second quarter, grantees requested a total of \$1.5 million dollars (29%). The majority of grantees this funding cycle are community-based programs.
    - The JRA team released white paper solicitations to all FY23 PIGF grantees on 2/27/23, and are due on 3/10/23. Grantees can minimally request \$20,000 dollars. The white paper solicitation need to be spent by 6/30/23.

#### • FY24 PIGF Updates:

- The FY24 PIGF NOFA was released in early February, and the application is due 3/31/23. There are \$7.9 million dollars available for FY24, which will be split between state and county organizations. Currently, 10 applicants have applied, and four of these applicants received FY23 funding.
- Site Visits Plans in Hagerstown/Baltimore City Brandi Cahn, Governor's Office of Crime Prevention, Youth and Victim Services (GOCPYVS)
  - Roundtable discussions and SWOT analyses were conducted with the FY23 grantees in Hagerstown and Baltimore City.
  - The JRA team visited Gatekeepers, Community Mediation Maryland, and Goodwill Industries, in Hagerstown last week. They identified housing and transportation as their main barriers.
  - This week, the JRA team visited PIVOT (women's reentry program) and PREPARE (Parole and Probation Hearing Assistance) in Baltimore City. They mainly struggle with living expenses, childcare, and staffing.
- o Reentry Summit-Tholyn Twyman, U.S. Attorney's Office, District of Maryland
  - The first Maryland statewide reentry summit will be held in May or June 2023. The summit will consist of different panels and speakers to talk about barriers, solutions, and best practices.
    - Specifically, topics will range from housing, transportation, funding for organizations that provide services, law enforcement's involvement in



reentry, best practices, etc.

■ Requests that all members notify their agencies. The JRA team will send a detailed save the date, once the date is solidified.

## • Open Discussion

- Daniel Lasher Allegany County
  - The Commission still needs more participation from its members in attending meetings and engaging with one another.
  - Carly Seidman GOCPYVS
    - Reengagement letters sent out to all jurisdictions, received 21 back, still
      waiting on a few. 10 new members were appointed, while 10 remained the
      same.
  - Asked that the Commission members promote attendance and participation to their peers on the Commission.
- Maryann Thompson St. Mary's County
  - Clarification that PIGF grants are due March 31 for FY24, and confirms she will resend the NOFA solicitation to MCAA.

## • Next Steps - Corey Pack, Carly Seidman

- o JRA List Serve
  - JRA team is working on a JRA list serve to allow networking amongst JRA stakeholders at events/meetings. This will be finalized in the next couple of weeks.
- Coordinating/hosting a one-day Justice Reinvestment Conference
  - Goal is to increase collaboration and communication among the three Justice Reinvestment boards, this may take place in June 2023.
- Scheduling meetings with local executives and officials
  - In order to make JRA and PIGF more prominent on local levels.
- Next local Government Commission Meeting Spring, possibly May?